Irregularities in the loading of coal in CCL

*99. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that coal traders in the Central Coalfields Limited deposit money for cheapest variety of coal but manage to get loaded costlier variety of coal;

(b) whether this is within the knowledge of the Chief Managing Director of the Company; and

(c) whether Government propose to make an enquiry into this irregularity?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MORD. KHAN): (a) and (b) No. Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Manufacture and Import of Lubricating Oil

*100. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the policy of Government with regard to increasing the manufacturing capacity of lubricating oil; and

(b) what is the quantity of lubricating oil being manufactured in India at present and what is the quantity imported during the last three years, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) The Policy of the Government is to increase the manufacturing capacity of finished lubricants to match demand so as to maintain self-sufficiency of these oils in the country.

(b) The finished lubricating oil production in the country is currently (1989-90) approximately 878 thousand MTs. The actual quantity of imports during the last three years is as under:

(Figures in '000' MTs)

Year	Quantity Imported
1987-88 . .	1.5
1988-89 . .	3.3
1989-90 . .	1.9 (estimated)

Manufacturing of Iodised salt

271. SHRI JITENDRABHAI LABHSHANKER BHATT: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) which States in the country have banned the usage of non-iodised salt;

(b) how much iodised salt has been manufactured in different States during the last three years (State-wise); and

(c) what are the names of the major producers of iodised salt and what is their production?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI AJIT SINGH): (a) The State Governments of Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Bihar, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Madhya Pradesh, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Punjab, Sikkim, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh and U.T. Administrations of Chandigarh, Dadra & Nagar Haveli and Delhi have completey banned the sale and distribution of non-iodised salt.

The State Governments of Gujarat, Maharashtra and West Bengal have imposed ban on the sale and distribution of non-iodised salt in some districts.